GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3149
ANSWERED ON:19.03.2001
ACCIDENT IN CLAY MINES
AVSM, BRIG.(RETD.) KAMAKHYA PRASAD SINGH DEO

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware about the deaths of five women recently in a clay mine at Radhakrishan Nagar village of Ambikapur, Chhattisgarh;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether any safety measures have since been taken in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MUNI LALL)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b), (c) & (d): An enquiry conducted by inspecting officer of the Directorate General of Mines Safety revealedthat the accident took place in an excavation made by the villagers for extraction of clay for domestic use. As it is not in the category of a mining accident, the possibility of providing safety measures does not rise.